## **Falcon Naming Contest Voting Results**

Female Names	Voting Results	School
Dawn: because the rising sun represents hope, life, rejuvenation, and spirit.	18 votes, 6.10%	Joseph George Middle School
<b>Esperanza:</b> means "hope", which new life symbolizes. The students thought that since the Peregrine Falcons had been very endangered and are now making a comeback, they have a lot of hope for their numbers to increase and their species to recover and it expresses the hope that the Peregrine Falcon population will recover and flourish in the future.	67 votes, 22.71%	Bret Harte Middle School Discovery Charter School LeyVa Middle School Morrill Middle School
<b>Faith:</b> because the students feel the need to have faith to help the young falcons come out of the danger zone and not become extinct.	12 votes, 4.07%	Willow Glen Middle School
Gloria: because it means "glory".	4 votes, 1.36%	Sheppard Middle School
Goldie: because California is the Golden State.	5 votes, 1.69%	Ida Price Middle School
Janie: which represents Janie Tilbury's commitment to volunteering, education, and the environment. Both she and her husband are bird lovers and bird watchers. They enjoy watching the falcons every day. Janie Tilbury is an East San José Resident.	6 votes, 2.03%	Ida Price Middle School
<b>Liberty:</b> because the falcons epitomize freedom & to represent the liberty of our country.	15 votes, 5.08%	Ida Price Middle School
Peri, short for "Peregrine".	7 votes, 2.37%	Morrill Middle School
Poppy: which is the state flower of California.	23 votes, 7.80%	Hoover Middle School
Sand: because silica sand provides the silicon used to make microchips in computers. And San José is the capital of the Silicon Valley.	4 votes, 1.36%	Monroe Middle School
<b>Shelly:</b> because now that DDT is no longer used, falcon shells are strong again.	4 votes, 1.36%	Five Wounds Middle School
<b>Spirit:</b> because the students feel that this is a great name for a new little falcon to have a true/powerful spirit to succeed.	47 votes, 15.93%	St. Christopher School
<b>Yomi:</b> which is short for Tsuki-Yomi. Tsuki Yomi is the Japanese God of the Moon. Falcons tend to prey during dusk or dawn because that's when their prey is most active.	18 votes, 6.10%	Castillero Middle School

Male Names	Voting Results	School
Adobe: reflecting Silicon Valley	6 votes, 2.08%	Monroe Middle School
Chip: short for "microchips" in computers.	34 votes, 11.81%	Monroe Middle School
Circuit: reflecting Silicon Valley	1 votes, 0.35%	Monroe Middle School
Dusk: because the setting sun represents survival through a long, dark night	3 votes, 1.04%	Joseph George Middle School
<b>Ed:</b> for "education". In order for the birds to truly survive, people must be	2 votes, 0.69%	St. Christopher School
educated about the birds and why it is important for them to survive.		
Flash: because Peregrine Falcons hold the record for flight speed and can	19 votes, 6.60%	Morrill Middle School
dive through the air at over 242 mph to catch prey. It also suggests a		
superhero with great strength, courage and agility – all qualities the falcon		
needs to survive.		
Francisco: because it means to be free.	54 votes, 18.75%	Sheppard Middle School
Herbert: short for Herbert Hoover.	1 votes, 0.35%	Hoover Middle School
<b>Hiko:</b> which is short for Shina-Tsu-Hiko. Shina-Tsu-Hiko is the Japanese God	68 votes, 23.61%	Castillero Middle School
of Wind. When a falcon dives its speed may reach up to 200 mph. Falcons		
are also the fastest moving creature on earth, which is why the God of Wind		
would well represent a falcon.		
Hunter: which symbolizes one survival skill the baby falcons will need to	20 votes, 6.94%	Bret Harte Middle School
master.		
<b>Keen:</b> because the falcon's keen eyesight gives them an advantage in hunting	2 votes, 0.69%	Five Wounds Middle School
their prey.		
Ketaro: because it means "blessed" in Japanese.	4 votes, 1.39%	LeyVa Middle School
Larry: which represents Larry Tilbury's commitment to volunteering,	5 votes, 1.74%	Ida Price Middle School
education, and the environment. Both he and his wife are bird lovers and bird		
watchers. They enjoy watching the falcons every day. Larry Tilbury is an East		
San José resident.		
<b>Phoenix:</b> because the phoenix is a mystical bird that rises out of the fire. The	17 votes, 5.90%	Discovery Charter School
students compared this to the falcons and how they just barely rose above		
extinction. The phoenix is also their school mascot.		
Ram: because it represents their school symbol. The ram denotes how the	0 votes, 0.00%	Willow Glen Middle School
students are trying to attain glory. Likewise, the little falcon will grow up and		
work towards attaining glory.		
Silicon: reflecting Silicon Valley	6 votes, 2.08%	Monroe Middle School